

March 25, 2003  
 Recessed Meeting

Minutes

Members Present: 5

Members Absent: 0

Lloyd Davis- Chairman  
 Brent Hunter- Vice Chairman  
 Josh Baity- Commissioner  
 Johnny Myers- Commissioner  
 D.C. Swaim- Commissioner

Others Present:

Cecil E. Wood, County Manager/Clerk to the Board

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**Services and Development**

**Land Records**

Chairman Davis called the meeting back to order.

Mr. Adams and Mr. Bridgers discussed the activities of the Land Records Department and what their needs are. Mr. Bridgers informed the Board that he could better service the public and be more efficient in his job if the county had a faster plotter and more powerful computers.

The Board discussed how best to use the computers.

Chairman Davis asked Mr. Bridgers to comment on the calculated acres issue.

The Board indicated their interest in matching the information on the tax records and the land records.

**Fire Marshal**

Mr. Weatherman informed the Board that he is staying busy with new construction and inspections.

Chairman Davis indicated he knew that is was different without an assistant and was particularly interested in how many calls were answered after hours.

Mr. Weatherman indicated that since January 1<sup>st</sup> there has been less incidents.

Chairman Davis asked if Mr. Weatherman was working with the Firemen's Oversight Committee.

Commissioner Swaim inquired about the Jonesville/Arlington Fire Department and how they are working together.

Mr. Weatherman asked what does the Commissioners want from the Firemen's Oversight Committee?

Commissioner Myers answered accountability.

### **Animal Control**

Mr. Adams reported to the Board activities and needs of the animal control area. He also reported on the progress of the plans for the new animal shelter.

Mr. Adams gave an update on rabies epidemic.

The Board discussed the need for one- ton truck to be used by the animal shelter and other departments. The Board thanked Mr. Adams for the update.

### **Commissioner comments**

\*Commissioner Swaim made a motion that the county pay ½ of the cost of Jerry Miller's legal bill in connection with his administrative hearings in Raleigh. Motion was withdrawn.

\*Chairman Davis made a motion to provide an incentive package for employees that are eligible for retirement encouraging them to file for retirement. The offer will be good for the months of July, August and September and the effective date of retirement must be no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Commissioner Baity commented about the articles stored in the hallway outside Finance. He stated he has made several comments to the Finance Officer concerning this issue.

\* Commissioner Baity made a motion that the Finance Officer be given two days to remove everything in the hall or have a letter of reprimand placed in her file. Commissioner Hunter seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

\*Commissioner Baity made a motion to purchase the Cox Tax Software System subject to the successful completion of a review. Commissioner Myers seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

The Board directed the Manager to place a paragraph in the personnel manual advising the

employees that when an employee needs legal council involving the performance of their job duties, the employee must confer with the Board and Manager if the employee desires financial assistance from the county. This meeting must take place prior to obtaining legal counsel.

**Recess**

\*Commissioner Swaim made the motion to recess until March 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Myers seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

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